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THE TEXT OF THE JULY 10 NOTIFICATION OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
AND COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THE SELECTION OF A FOREIGN FIRM FOR
THE PREPARATION OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF 20 KILOMETERS OF
ATHENS SUBWAY FOLLOWS. SEE REF FOR BACKGROUND

"SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
THE ATHENS METRO PROJECT

GENTLEMEN,

IN 1972, FOLLOWING OUR INVITATION FOR AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
FOR THE POSITION OF CONSULTANT TO THE GREEK STATE, ON MATTERS
OF DESIGN AND INVESTIGATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
ATHENS METRO, AND TO WHICH INVITATION YOUR OFFICE RESPONDED,
THE JOINT VENTURE DELEUW CATHER INTERNATIONAL INC. AND
WILBUR SMITH AND ASSOCIATED IN. WAS CHOSEN.

THIS JOINT VENTURE WAS ESTABLISHED IN GREECE IN JUNE 1973, AND
HAS SINCE OFFERED ITS SERVICES, IN COOPERATION WITH THE GREEK
STATE, FOR DRAWING UP A MASTER PLAN, A FEASIBILITY REPORT AND
TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR CONSTRUCTION.
SHORTLY, THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS WILL
ASSIGN THE DESIGN OF THE PRELIMINARY STUDY, FOR APPROXIMATELY
20 KM., OF UNDERGROUND RAILWAY IN THE CENTRAL ATHENS AREA.

THIS DESIGN, FOLLOWING A BINDING, WILL BE ENTRUSTED TO A
FOREIGN FIRM POSSESSING SUFFICIENT EXPERIENCE IN SIMILAR

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PROJECTS.

YOU ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO ADVISE US, AT THE LATEST BY
31-8-1974, OF YOUR INTEREST TO UNDERTAKE THE SUBJECT DESIGN,
FORWARDING US THE RELATIVE INFORMATION REGARDLESS THE
ORGANIZATION AND EXPERIENCE OF YOUR COMPANY, AND SHOULD THIS
INFORMATION BE CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY, THE TERMS OF REFERENCE
AND OTHER CONDITIONS OF THE BINDING SHALL BE DISPATCHED
TO YOUR OFFICE."

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